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Inventor(s)	Naoki ITANO et al.
Group Art Unit	3753
Examiner Name	Stephen Hepperle
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/541,777 Group Art Unit: 3753

Filing Date: July 8, 2005 Examiner: Stephen Hepperle

Applicant: Naoki ITANO et al.

Title: RAPIDLY OPENING PRESSURE REGULATING VALVE, FIRE EXTINGUISHING APPARATUS USING THE SAME, HIGH-PRESSURE GAS CYLINDER APPARATUS AND APPARATUS FOR RAPIDLY SUPPLYING FLUID

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 11, 2007, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this Amendment.

	Claims remaining after Amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present extra
Total	19	-	24	=	0
Independent	3	-	3	=	0